UTTAR PRADESH

Administration: The Office of the Uttar Pradesh State Archives is under the administrative control of the department of Cultural Affairs, Uttar Pradesh Government. The building for the Regional Archives, Nainital, is now available and this office will start functioning soon.

The total number of posts in the Uttar Pradesh State Archives on March 31, 1977 was 69.

Budget: For 1976-77 a sum of Rs.4,66,100/- was spent out of the budget provision of Rs.5,03,800/- on the non plan side and a sum of Rs.1,14,100/- out of the budget provision of Rs.1,27,000/- on the plan side was spent. For 1977-78 Rs.4,35,500 was provisioned on non plan side and Rs.2,00,000/- on the plan side.

Buildings: The Uttar Pradesh State Archives has its own building. There are proposals for the construction of two more storeys of the new muniment block in near future.

Record Management: Files of the various departments kept in the record rooms of the Uttar Pradesh Secretariat, Lucknow, were examined, listed and transferred for permanent preservation to the Uttar Pradesh State Archives in 2,921 bundles. 4 files relating to National movement were transferred to this office from the office of the District Judge Basti, 113 bundles belonging to Commissioner's Office Allahabad, were also transferred to the Regional Archives, Allahabad.

15,517 items were inventoried, 12,799 files and 6,702 volumes were restored properly after regular checking and verification.

Research and Reference: 148 Research Scholars consulted the records and 4,984 pages of excerpts taken by them from the records were released.

Reference Media: Lists of 24,009 files and 4 bundles of different departments were prepared.

Publication Programme: Two articles 'Records Management in Uttar Pradesh' and 'Development of Archives in pre-British Period' were published during the period under review.

Preservation of Records: About 14,723 sheets were flattened, 14,723 sheets repaired, 1,328 sheets guarded and 284 volumes, files and registers were bound.

Photo-Duplication: Enlargments of 1,515 documents were prepared.

Library: During 1976-77 2,006 books were received from various offices on exchange basis. 73 important books were purchased.

Training: A two week's training in Archives Keeping was imparted to 32 officials of various departments and offices of Government of Uttar Pradesh.

Other Activities:- During the period under review record rooms of the offices of the Commissioner, Varanasi; Collectorates of Varanasi, Ghazipur and Mirzapur were inspected.

Dr. Ahmed Talib Abrahim, Minister of Information and Cultural Affairs, Algeria, Dr. H. Boberach, Director, Federal Archives, West Germany, Mr. Martin Moir, Deputy Director, India office Library, London and Mr. L. Swith, Archivist from Hungary visited this office and studied its working. Dr. K.P. Srivastava, Director, Uttar Pradesh State Archives attended the VIIIth Session of the International Congress on Archives at Washington as one of the members of Indian delegation from Uttar Pradesh.

An exhibition of rare documents was organised by this office at the Begam Hazrat Mahal Park on the occasion of Lucknow Festival sponsored by the Department of Cultural Affairs, Government of Uttar Pradesh.

The State Archives received 24 important documents and collections of news bulletins of Azad Hind Army, as donation.